



Subsidy cut in half

Council slashes Daily budget

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Daily photo by Richard Blackwell

Students' Council considers a motion at last night's meeting in which the budget of the McGill Daily was cut.

Lettuce boycott urged in Union cafeteria

A group of students are circulating petitions on campus asking students to help stop the sale of non-union lettuce and grapes at McGill.

The McGill for Farmworkers Committee has put up posters in the Union cafeteria telling people about the boycott and asking them to buy California produce only if it carries the insignia of the United Farm Workers union. The UFW launched the second boycott in July in an attempt to force California growers to sign new contracts.

The management of the Union cafeteria put a UFW label beside a

Farmworkers committee poster. Manager Frank Gillett said he buys lettuce from three suppliers and takes whatever is the cheapest on a particular day. He said lettuce in the Union may be UFW or not "depending on what my suppliers come through with. It's the luck of the draw."

He said non-UFW lettuce is picked by workers organized by the Teamsters union, so "it's all union lettuce".

A spokesman for the farmworkers committee said Teamsters lettuce is scab because the Teamsters union tried to break the UFW this summer by signing

contracts with the growers and intimidating UFW organizers.

A California court ruled this summer that the Teamsters played the role of a company union in the vineyards. The spokesman said Teamsters contracts have taken many rights away from the farm workers, and "the workers themselves oppose being represented by any union other than the UFW."

"Therefore it's misleading for the cafeteria management to display a UFW label," said the spokesman. "They're trying to pretend they're in favour of the boycott when they're not."

Gillett said most students want to eat lettuce and he has to give them what they want. "The demand is there and I have to go along with the demand," he said.

The committee spokesman said the cafeteria could substitute other kinds of lettuce — such as chicory or romaine — for the California iceberg lettuce it now uses.

Gillett said he plans to buy a few pounds of grapes today for the

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Radio told to boost service

Students' Council last night approved Radio McGill's budget for \$10,028 (with a deficit of \$6,694) on condition that the station repair all its broadcast speakers on campus and that it install new speakers in all faculties that request them.

The condition was imposed after several Councillors complained that their faculties are not being served by Radio McGill.

Radio McGill representative Morrie Altmejd said some of these

faculties had previously had service, but their speakers had been "vandalized". He said the station would seek to fulfill the condition by using the money in its budget for new speakers, but said that if there is not enough money in the budget, Radio McGill would have to return to Council for additional funds.

Earlier in the Radio McGill budget debate, a motion by dentistry representative Peter

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by Bonnie Price

Students' Council slashed the proposed Daily budget last night by passing an amendment cutting the Council's subsidy to the Daily by nearly half.

Daily editor Joan Mandell said that the result of the budget cut will be a smaller, less comprehensive Daily with a corresponding

See page 2 for a break-down of the Council vote on the Daily budget.

loss in advertising revenue. She termed the action "politically motivated". Finance director Don Schreiber said that the reasons for the budget changes were "not the principles behind the Daily, just the cost."

Omitted from the Daily's budget were the funds for the weekly cultural and political supplement, its teletype machine, photographic equipment and supplies, magazine and newspaper subscriptions, mailing allowances, staff meals, travel for sports writers, taxis, and travel to the annual Canadian University Press Conference for a couple of staff members.

The original budget request submitted to the Finance Com-

mittee was \$104,057. This figure would be \$43,907 in excess of the Daily's revenue, \$60,000. Schreiber, as Finance director, pared the request down to \$94,545 by deciding, after studying the Dailys of the last two years, that the Daily would publish several hundred fewer pages than specified in the budget proposal. Schreiber's revised budget, the one submitted to Council, showed an excess expenditure of \$35,337 for which the Students' Society must subsidize the Daily. An amendment to that budget, proposed by dentistry representative Peter Currie, was designed to further reduce the subsidy to \$22,232, half of the Daily's original request to Council.

Law representative Henry Coopersmith supported Currie's amendment, arguing that "the frills could be cut out and we would still have a publication for those who are interested in reading it." He said, "if it's a question that it's going to be harder to run the Daily, then tough luck." The question of the tradition of a daily newspaper at McGill, he added, did not interest him.

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Daily statement on Council's decision

LAST NIGHT'S DECISION by Students' Council to cut the Daily's budget by \$20,000 was a blatantly political move. Under the guise of "financial responsibility" Council has lashed out at one of the most important focal points of student activity and debate at McGill.

With the budget cuts imposed on the Daily it will be impossible for us to continue functioning as we have been doing so far this year, and providing the same level of services to the students.

Last night Council was not interested in hearing fully the Daily's arguments. Instead, the anti-Daily councillors took an arbitrary decision on the basis of their dislike of the Daily's critical coverage of their activities. These activities have included attacks on groups and issues ranging from day care, and Radio McGill to the maintenance workers' strike. While launching these attacks, Council and the executive have busied themselves with their own private projects such as the \$50,000 pub and turning the Students' Society into an incorporated business venture.

Council cannot pretend to be dealing with the Daily on the basis of economics alone when it passes the executives' projects with little change and tears the Daily's proposals apart with little debate. Council's stand last night — no matter what economic justifications are brought forward — amounts to a vote against a daily newspaper at McGill.

The Daily does not intend to submit to Council's decision. Our staff will democratically decide what is the appropriate action to take. We call on all people who support the existence of a daily newspaper at McGill to protest Council's action and help us fight against it.

The Editors

DAILY MEETING TODAY

A very important meeting of all Daily staffers today at 4 p.m. in the Daily offices to discuss the Council decision.

The council vote on Daily budget

This is how the voting went on the amendment proposed by dentistry representative Peter Currie, to cut the Daily's excess expenditure over revenue by \$13,335.

For:
Robert Bennett, Education
Mark Bernier, Internal Vice President
Henry Coopersmith, Law
Peter Currie, Dentistry
Paul Drager, President
Andre Levy, Arts and Science
Bennett Little, Management
David Miller, Engineering
Leonard Rodrigues, Architecture
Donald Schreiber, Engineering

Absent:
George Thomas, Medicine
Meredith Thompson, P. and OT.

Against:
Roderick Charters, Religious Studies
Judith Cuthbert, Nursing
Carol Evans, Music
Linda Feldman, Graduate Studies
William Hoffman, Arts and Science
Richard Markus, Arts and Science

Abstained:
Andrew Fenus, Graduate Studies

Non-Voting:
Joan Mandell, Daily Editor
Earle Taylor, Chairman of meeting

Statement by ASUS

So far this year the Students' Council has been appalling in its unrestrained contempt for other student institutions and groups on campus. The Council, led by the executive, has been determined to impose its will upon all the affairs of the Students' Society. If they are attempting to improve the Students' Society, so far they have been only destructive. None of their attacks have been complemented by positive ideas or actions.

Their recent attack on the Daily shows their intent to undermine strong student institutions rather than improve them. Anyone who has had dealings with the executive and with many of the other councillors can testify to their impatience and arrogance towards critics and opponents. None of the councillors had any suggestion for improving the Daily or the Review, except perhaps that it should become more like the Plumber's Pot. Some councillors may dislike the Daily, but why can they only respond by cutting the budget?

This year's executive is also responsible for the most outrageous act of contempt towards students, in which they defied the

decision of an Open Meeting which was later ratified by last year's Students' Council. We are speaking of the Day Care Resolution which allocated one dollar of each students' fees to the support of a McGill day care facility. The resolution provided for disagreement by allowing students to withhold their dollar from the day care fund if they so desired. All students were to have been given a ballot at registration on which they could indicate that their dollar be withheld.

Paul Drager did not set up the check-off system as stipulated in the Day Care Resolution. Instead, he held a poorly publicized referendum which was not approved by Students' Council. He also distributed a leaflet which attacked the supporters of the McGill Day Care Centre. The Students' Council did not explicitly approve the funding of either the referendum or the leaflet. Thus Drager proved himself to be irresponsible, arrogantly and unlawfully partisan and contemptuous of students' rights.

Earle Taylor's surprise attack on Radio McGill was unnecessarily dramatic and self-indulgent. That act, in particular, showed the executives' self-righteous attitude. The executive and several other

councillors picture themselves as the arbiters of the Students' Society. They claim to oppose "hacks" and "cliques" but they are that which they claim to oppose.

In another outrageous action, the executive incorporated the Students' Society without first initiating a full debate on Council. Although students may have been aware of a plan to incorporate the Students' Society, the executive did not inform them of the particular structure they had designed for the corporation. Many people were shocked to discover that the executive had given themselves overwhelming control over the corporation and effectively excluded students from interfering.

Council seems to be working towards a homogenization of the Students' Society. They picture themselves as the managers of a business, free to hire and fire in accordance with their own interests. In order to operate more efficiently they are attempting to undermine opposition within the Students' Society. We feel that this tendency must be opposed. A strong Students' Society must tolerate conflicting views, and must provide positive leadership in the interests of all students.

Statements...

ISA

In light of the present crisis facing the Daily, the ISA feels it is our duty to comment on the few accusations labelled against the Daily.

The venture to cut the budget of the Daily will jeopardize the continuance of the Daily's obligation to the students. We feel that claims that the Daily has not and does not fulfil that obligation are unfounded and unjust. The way to improve the Daily is not to jeopardize its operations but to offer constructive criticisms.

Choo Wai Hong, ISA President and the executives of the International Students' Association

ASUS rep

The drastic cut in the Daily budget last night is a sad omen for us all. The Daily is one of the few outposts of creative thought and dissent on this campus. The budget cut was clearly intended to punish the Daily for its provocative content. The gross unfairness in the procedure of last night's meeting was outstanding for even Students' Council. That Council would not even consider for debate the proposed budget originally advanced by the Daily is sorely disappointing. I urge all students to demand that the Daily budget be restored to one that will permit the Daily to continue fully and actively serving the McGill community as it has done so well for so many years. If there is opposition to Daily editorial policies let it come out in free and open debate, not hidden behind the smokescreen of the Daily budget.

Will Hoffman
Arts and Science Representative

Council reps

We the undersigned representatives of the Students' Council, do not feel that the Daily budget passed last night was in the best interests of the Daily and those students for whom the Daily provides services.

We believe that the cuts made to the budget may have an adverse effect on the quality of the paper.

We urge Council to resolve the problems of the Daily budget.

Earle Taylor (External Vice-President)

Richard Markus (Arts and Science)

Carol Evans (Music)

Roderick Charters (Divinity)

Linda Feldman (Post Graduate Students' Society)

Will Hoffman (Arts and Science)

Andrew E. Fenus (Post Graduate Students' Society)

Judith Cuthbert (Nursing)

Mimi Thompson (Physician and Occupational Therapy)

(N.B. Ms. Thompson was absent from the meeting due to illness but agreed to add her name to this petition.)

PGSS rep

Council's decision last night to make extreme cuts to the Daily budget is an act of hypocrisy.

Opponents to the original Daily budget, which had a \$44,000 deficit claimed that financial concerns motivated their decision to reduce the budget.

This argument is untrue.

The same councillors who were enraged over the Daily's meal allowances, taxi chits and "frills" in general approved other budgets containing all three. Councillors

voted to increase their own meal allowance to \$3 a meeting. They endorsed budgets consisting almost, if not entirely, of social events affecting only limited numbers of students.

The result of their cuts is that the Council is now giving the Daily only \$22,000, instead of \$44,000. It is interesting to compare this figure with grants given by other student councils to other university papers:

The Georgian, paper of the day students of Sir George Williams University, receives \$22,000 and expense money from its council. It appears twice a week.

The Concordian, journal of the night students of Sir George Williams University, appears once a week. Its council has given it a grant of \$23,000.

The Loyola News of Loyola College appears once a week. Its council grant amounts to \$20,000.

The McMaster Silhouette of Hamilton, Ontario, also printed once a week, has its own typesetting machines but nonetheless receives a \$61,000 grant from Council. Like the Daily, these newspapers carry advertising.

In effect, Council is asking the Daily to run on a budget smaller than that of a paper appearing once a week.

All this in a year when the quality of the Daily is better than it has been in the past.

The original Daily budget contained raises to cover increased overhead. A trimmed version of this budget was presented to Council.

Yet despite these facts, Council amputated the Daily. Its motives were purely political. This is an outrage to which student response can and will provide the most valid solution.

Linda Feldman
representative of the Post Graduate Students' Society

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Arts and science representative Will Hoffman, in answer to arguments that the Daily could reduce the number of issues per week to save money, said that studies have shown that daily newspapers are economical because they save on printing, typesetting, and advertising costs.

Internal Vice-President Mark Bernier agreed with Mandell that the budget was a political discussion. Management representative Bennett Little said "the question is not whether there should be a Daily but whether the Daily is doing its job with the money we give it."

The Daily's job, in the view of Arts and Science representative Richard Markus, is to act as a check and balance on Council. "If the Daily does not put down councillors and how finances are allocated, we cannot have an effective system," he said.

Currie's amendment to cut the Daily budget by \$13,335 was passed by a vote of ten in favour, six against, and one abstention.

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health food counter in the cafeteria and doesn't know whether it will be UFW or not.

The committee said students should demand that the cafeteria buy only UFW produce. She said almost 500 signatures have so far been collected on petitions demanding that only UFW lettuce and grapes be used at McGill.

Currie to drop the station's \$1,150 meal allowance was defeated in a tie vote.

Currie said a precedent had been set when the meal allowance was cut from the Daily's budget. "If the Daily had its meal allowance removed, it's only fair that Radio McGill should too."

Music representative Carol Evans said this whole argument was "ridiculous". "It seems the only people allowed to eat are the members of the executive and of Students' Council."

"The rest can go on diets," management representative Bennett Little interjected.

At the last Council meeting, Council increased meal allowances for Students' Society executive members from \$400 to \$500 each and increased meal payments to councillors from \$1 to \$3 for each Council meeting they attend.

Altmejd said meal payments were required for Radio McGill staff members who work late and can't go home to eat; the motion to delete the payments was defeated.

Graduate representative Linda Feldman said Council's accepting the meal allowance for Radio McGill while rejecting the one for the Daily showed that the actions of those Council members voting against the Daily were "more political than budgetary. They were hypocritical in their treatment of the Daily."

Budgets for the Latin American Society, the Malaysia-Singapore Students' Association, the Savoy Society, the Stamp Club, University Affairs, the Bridge Club, the Student Information Centre, Italian Students' Society, and Red and White Revue were passed. The budget for the Hellenic Club was tabled because the club has no constitution.

LEAD AND HUNGRY / BY GEORGE KOPP

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LITERARY MAGAZINE

Student Literary Magazine coming out! Contributions needed. Give anything - poetry, short stories, drama, factual articles, reviews, essays, criticism. Call Laura MacLellan, general editor. 672-7828.

PSYCHOLOGY STUDENTS UNION

There is a general meeting on Thursday, Nov. 1 from 1-2 p.m. in Stewart S3/4 (south block opposite Biology library). At the last meeting a provisional executive was elected—the posts of President, Treasurer, and Secretary were temporarily filled. In addition, election procedures for the above positions and the position of Publicity Chairman were agreed upon. These are as follows: pending receipt of the P.S.U. budget, the provisional officers are to conduct a publicity campaign to announce an Election Meeting at a specified time and place, at which time any student taking a faculty program, majors, or honours in Psychology can be nominated for the above position. Any student taking one course in psychology is eligible to vote. At the Thursday meeting the election procedures will be clarified and a report on the Speaker's Program will be delivered. All psychology students are urged to participate, as the primary function of the P.S.U. is to present the student's opinion to faculty on matters of mutual interest.

LIFE IN CHINA

The Third World Centre is presenting a slide-show and discussion on "Daily life in the People's Republic of China" on Thursday, November 1, at 8 pm in the Union ballroom. The speakers will be Victor Levant and Steve Orlov, two McGill students who have recently returned from China.

EXHIBITION

Mary Swaine and Ahmed Yar Khan. Student Union, Rm. 123-124; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 30 to Nov. 6.

WOMEN'S INTRAMURAL ICE HOCKEY

All girls interested in Intramural Ice Hockey may use the ice between 1-2 p.m., every Monday for practice. Everyone welcome! Intramural competition will be announced later on. This is your golden opportunity, take advantage! For more information phone the WAA office.

FILM SOCIETY

An evening of Quebecois dreams: at 7 p.m. Claude Jutra "Wows" together six fantasies written by and starring the fantasizers and at 9:30 Mirielle Dansereau "Dreams for Young Womenhood Personified". Both in L132.

AFRICAN STUDENTS

The second general meeting to finalize the re-organization program and carry out elections of the leadership for 73-74 will be held Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Union 457-458.

JEWISH STUDIES

Association of Jewish Studies Students will hold a general meeting to discuss program and budget for 73-74 on Monday, Nov. 5, 12 noon at the Jewish Studies Bldg., 3511 Peel St. All those taking one or more Jewish Studies courses are invited.

SOCIEDAD LATINO AMERICANA

Fiestal Vengan a fozar a lo latino. Pa' baila' disfruta', y toma'. Union coffee lounge, Nov. 2, 8 p.m. 99 cents solamente. Miembros gratis!

WORKSHOP NUMBER 3

Friday, Nov. 2 at 12:15 p.m. at the Centre for Developing Area Studies, 3437 Peel Street, second floor lounge. Refreshments will be served. Subject is "Tourism in the Caribbean—Development for Whom?". Panel is organized by T.L. Hills.

COMMUNITY MCGILL

An elementary school in LaSalle needs tutors for five year old children who need help learning English. For more information call 392-8980 or come to room 416 in the Union between 12-3 p.m.

ART SALE AND EXHIBIT

Don't forget to enter your work

in the student exhibit and sale of art work and handicrafts. For more information, contact Sue at 392-5111.

ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Zoological Society presents Derek Bromhall of Oxford Scientific Films talking on filming animals and showing award-winning films in Palmer-Howard Theatre, McIntyre Medical Building, 3655 Drummond Street at 8 p.m. today.

B.S.U.

General meeting to discuss program for 73-74, Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 5 p.m. in Union 123-124.

AIIESEC

Do not forget today's two events: AIIESEC's part in business opportunities week, 1-3 p.m., and AIIESEC's regular meeting in SBB 338 at 5 p.m. Mr. G. Oliver of DuPont will be there.

ENGLISH LITERATURE MAJORS

There will be a meeting of all English majors in the literature stream on Friday, Nov. 2, 12-2 p.m. in Arts B20 to discuss the program. Please bring your opinions, complaints and praises. Coffee and donuts will be served.

CURRIE GYM HOURS

Starting this Sunday the Currie Gym will be open for recreational activities from 12-5:30 p.m. This service will be continued into the new year only if response is good. The pool, gymnasium, and squash courts will all be available for use.

SQUARE DANCE

Everyone who would like to learn a bit about square dancing and to have a lot of fun in the process is welcome to join the crowd of amateurs in the Common Room at Molson Hall, 3915 University Street this Friday. The affairs begins with instructions led by caller Al Marjerison starting at 8 p.m. Refreshments will follow. For more information call 844-0852.

MOVIE GOER'S QUESTIONNAIRE

Question: Which film won five Academy Awards, including Best Actor, in 1952? For the answer check the What's What column next week under the heading A.S.U.S. Film series.

THE INDIA INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CLUB

The club is having a social

gathering on Nov. 3 at 8 p.m. For further information call 931-3212 or 843-4619 evenings or weekends.

MANAGEMENT UNDER-GRADUATE SOCIETY

The highlight of "Business Opportunities Week" will be held on Friday, Nov. 2, when Duncan Campbell, Vice-President of Public Affairs for Alcan will be under attack for his views on the role of the multinational corporation.

Panel members: Paul Drager, Students' Society president; Tim Carter, McGill law student; Julian Sher, Daily staff member. Moderator—Richard Pomerantz, former Students' Society president and founder of MSEA Inc. Samuel Bronfman Bldg., room 151 from 1-3 p.m. All students invited to attend and participate. Refreshments served.

today

Auditions:

For "The Care and Feeding of Monuments": a burlesque based on the work of Vladimir Tatlin and the people of Kronstadt. 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Morrice Hall room 106.

Department of English:

There will be a meeting for U3 students who plan to be in graduate schools next year in Canada, the U.S. or Britain. Information about graduate school application, scholarships, G.R.E.'s, etc. will be given by members of the Department of English today

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In the summer of 1972, on four nights from midnight to dawn, some of us got together over WBAI in New York.

The experience of tuning in together during quiet hours turned out to be very special. Edited tapes of those nights, augmented by material from other gatherings across the country, were compiled into a six record album.

The contents include phone conversations that reflect the

concerns we share, music, a meditation, readings from the Ramayana, Gospel of John, and Third Chinese Patriarch of Zen. There is included a twelve page booklet of artwork, photos, notes, and translations. To make LOVE SERVE REMEMBER as inexpensive as possible, we are distributing it by mail order only.

*Shanti,
Ram Dass*

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"Lions and soldiers"

The rise of Juan Peron

by Nigel Gibson

For the first five years of my life I lived with my parents, brother and sister, two maids, a ferocious nanny, and a moth-eaten cocker spaniel, in a sprawling apartment block in downtown Buenos Aires.

The apartment overlooked a large, Latin American version of Central Park, with neatly manicured lawns and flowerbeds, prim granite paths, lined with gnarled oaks and innumerable busts of long forgotten Argentine heroes.

Just beyond the trees, in a massive, sinister gray residence, surrounded by a tall, black iron fence, and guarded by squads of helmeted police, lived the couple who, for all intents and purposes were the government of Argentina — the sole architects of its destiny, and absolute masters of its people — Juan Domingo Peron and his cancer-riddled, creole Cinderella, Eva Duarte.

Every weekday afternoon I would set out across the park, with my baby sister in her pram, my old spaniel on his leash, and my nanny leading the way; a sour, middle-aged Basque spinster, who was, among other things, a suspected war criminal, a secret drinker, and an incredibly motivated Peronist fanatic.

Invariably we would end up in the same place, at the same time, every afternoon; huddled in a small group across the street from Peron's residence.

Here we would wait, for ten or fifteen minutes, sometimes more, the "war criminal", my sister in her pram, the dog and I, waiting for the great man to finish his afternoon siesta, and head back to his office in the Casa Rosada.

Suddenly, there would be a flurry of activity. Guards would be running everywhere, shouting orders and waving all traffic to a halt. Then, the black gates would swing open, and a stream of dark limousines and police motorcycles would sweep by, and the "war criminal" and I would jump up and down frantically, waving and shouting "viva Peron!" "viva Peron!" over and over again at the top of our voices, until the motorcade had vanished around the corner.

Occasionally, the great man would acknowledge our cheers, and a hand would appear in the car window, hang there regally for an instant, and then disappear. And it would all be over until the next day.

Eventually, of course, this love affair had to end. One day, just a few weeks after the death of Evita, a squad of soldiers approached us as we stood waiting for our daily ritual to begin. The soldiers searched the pram, and my indignant nanny for weapons, and told us to move along and not to come back. We never did.

Lions and Soldiers

Juan Peron was born on October 8, 1895, in a provincial Buenos Aires town, of middle class parents who had fallen upon hard times. As a boy he combined a romantic sympathy for the exploited rural population around him, with a certain admiration for the iron discipline of the German-trained army.

In 1911 he joined the Colegio Militar and began his career as a professional soldier. His rise within the ranks was slow, and



Juan Peron

nineteen years later, when he joined General Jose Uriburu and a handful of officers, in overthrowing the Radical government of Hipolito Irigoyen, he was still only a captain.

This fact, however, probably saved his career before it had even begun, by preventing him from being associated in the minds of people with the ensuing, shortlived reactionary government of Uriburu.

Instead Peron was able to learn from the experience, while pursuing a career as a military instructor at the National War School, with ample time and opportunity to study the nature of the new and powerful forces that were beginning to flex their muscles in the society around him, and upon whose backs he would one day ride triumphantly to power.

Massive European immigration, and almost unlimited foreign investment in the period preceding, and immediately after the First World War, had wrought fundamental changes in the economic and political life of Argentina.

By the turn of the century, a large bourgeois class had emerged to challenge the traditional hegemony of the landed

oligarchy. This bourgeois class was mainly concerned with the administration of British and American capital, but it contained within the structures of the Radical Party, a fledgling national bourgeoisie, fiercely opposed to any foreign enterprises, that threatened their own economic interests.

In 1912, the oligarchy was forced to enact the one-man, one-vote principle, thus effectively handing over the direct reins of government to the Radical Party, which for the next thirty years, until the rise of Peron, would constitute the major political force in the country. At least in theory.

In practice, of course, the oligarchs continued to wield the real power behind the scenes, reinforcing their stranglehold on the economy, directly influencing the course of Argentina's foreign policy to suit their own particular interests, and waiting for the opportunity or excuse to intervene directly in the political process. In 1930 they got their chance.

The worldwide economic depression that had begun with the Wall Street crash the year before, hit Argentina's vulnerable economy, early and hard.

The Radical government of 76-year old

Hipolito Irigoyen, was unable to cope with the ensuing widespread unemployment and it floundered aimlessly in a current of popular dissatisfaction, increasingly forced to make one concession after the other to the swelling ranks of the popular classes who had been hardest hit by the depression.

These concessions did not amount to much, but to the reactionary oligarchy they constituted the thin edge of the wedge, an unacceptable erosion of everything essential to their continued economic supremacy.

On September 6, 1930, Hipolito Irigoyen was overthrown by a handful of cadets, acting under the orders of General Jose Uriburu — a provincial aristocrat, with a strong admiration for the Italy of Mussolini, and an authoritarian strain, conditioned no doubt by his long years of German military training.

The overthrow of Irigoyen marked the beginning of a long history of direct military intervention in the political process of the Argentine Republic.

General Jose de San Martin, Argentina's Liberator, had always maintained that the military should play no part in the civilian process of government.

"The army," San Martin was fond of saying, "is a lion that must be kept in a cage until the day of battle."

But in the forty years since the Uriburu coup, the lion has spent little time in its cage. Instead, it has set forth over the years, again and again, to bring down one duly elected government after the other; until the sight of tanks and troop carriers rumbling through the streets of Buenos Aires became almost commonplace, and accepted as part of the national scene.

As for the man who started it all, General Uriburu, his term in office was to be shortlived. His attempts to subvert the constitution and replace it with a fascist corporative state met with heavy opposition, in particular from the lower classes, against whom most of the repressive measures were aimed.

Slowly but surely in the vast, grimy industrial belts of the nation, a large, extremely oppressed working class was struggling towards political maturity.

By 1930, although still largely non-unionized, the workers had reached the stage where they were not prepared to hold back and let Uriburu, and his masters in the oligarchy, strip them of the few miserly concessions they had managed to wring, at great sacrifice, from the Irigoyen government over the last few years.

Their active and passive resistance to the new regime, brought about the downfall of the by now terminally ill Uriburu. A conservative coalition with the rather exotic title of Concordancia replaced him, and ruled Argentina until 1943.

The period was characterized by the almost complete sellout of the country's resources to Britain, and by a corresponding increase in Nationalism, in opposition to this process.

The lessons of the shabby Uriburu episode and its shameful aftermath were not lost on Peron.

It became evident to him that no bourgeois nationalist government to which he aspired to belong, could hope to hold its own against the oligarchy and the powerful representatives of foreign capital, without enlisting on its side the new forces of labour.

His first-hand observations over the next decade in Fascist Italy and in particular Civil War Spain further reinforced his beliefs about the need to avoid irreconcilable antagonisms between the armed forces and organized labour.

"I will do what Mussolini did," he once boasted, "but without his mistakes."

Thirteen years after the Uriburu coup, on June 4, 1943, when joined with a secret junta of generals and colonels known as the GOU (Grupo de Oficiales Unidos) in overthrowing the government of President Ramon Castillo, Peron would get a chance, at last, to put his theories into practice.

"My dear descamisados"

Peron's designated title in the GOU junta was that of Chief of the Ministry of War's secretariat.

Almost immediately Peron added to this position, the headship of the Department of Labour and Social Security, and rapidly set in motion his carefully drawn up plans to forge a broad alliance between the military and labour, with himself at the head. His first task was to organize the huge, scattered and poorly organized forces of labour into a cohesive, equal partner of the military.

Peron gathered a small army of capable and dedicated labour organizers around him, and instructed them to recruit the workers into disciplined unions, whose leaders would be responsible only to him. Any employer, or worker who actively resisted their efforts would, he assured the labour organizers, feel the full weight of the military dictatorship.

On the other hand, Peron promised the organizers, the workers who cooperated would be rewarded with material benefits, security, and a sense of dignity, such as they had never experienced before.

Peron backed up his word by showering wage increases and fringe benefits on the workers, including a decree issued in December 1943, that required all employers to pay each and every one of their employees, a bonus of one month's salary at the end of every year. Also, for the first time, workers were permitted to strike freely, and discuss their common grievances openly without managerial interference, and union activities were encouraged, rather than suppressed as they had been in the past. Naturally, the workers responded enthusiastically to these measures.

Slowly at first, and then like wildfire the word spread through the factories, and the shabby working class districts and slums of Buenos Aires.

The long exploited, impoverished ordinary working people of Argentina; the disillusioned Italian and Spanish immigrants; the hungry and disinherited Indians, "negritos" and "cabecitas negras", had a champion at last — and his name was Peron. To those forgotten builders of the "Argentine dream," with nothing to lose and everything to gain, Peron offered the world. He was "one of them". They were his "descamisados," his "shirtless ones," — and when he called them, they came.

Streaming into Buenos Aires in a noisy, horn-honking cavalcade of cars, buses and trucks. Marching through the streets of the capital, banners waving, drums beating loudly, singing and chanting slogans, on their way to the giant rallies in Plaza de Mayo.

Peron's political fortunes, already on the upswing due to the size and strength of his labour following, received a further and decisive boost, with the arrival on the scene, about this time, of the amazing Eva Duarte, a dazzling blonde, ex-party girl of humble origins, turned fiery demagogue, and who, more than any other single

person, would be responsible for giving form to the Peronist legend that would dominate the political life of Argentina for the next forty years.

Eva Duarte was only 23-years old when she first met Peron in 1943; a second rate stage and film actress, with no apparent political ambitions or talent. Just another of the thousands of young working class women of the time, seeking to elude the stifling drudgery of their pre-ordained roles in life, via the elusive magic of the silver screen.

That first meeting with Peron however, transformed her life, and for the next nine years, until her death of cancer in 1952, Eva Duarte would dedicate all her energies to Peron and his cause, becoming in the process his most valuable political ally, and closest personal companion.

Eva Duarte, more than anyone else, including Peron, could move a crowd, and bend it to her will. Night after night her voice reached out over the airways, into the factories and homes of the legions of "descamisados," explaining the Peronist program to them in their own language, lashing out at the hated oligarchy and its foreign masters, and building up the image of Juan Peron as the "Great White Hope" of the exploited masses.

Despite his championship of the working class, Peron had no intention of supporting those elements of his labour armies who called for the destruction of the capitalist system, and the building of a socialist state.

Instead, in May 1944, he expressed his belief that "the representatives of capital and labour ought to adjust their relations to the most Christian rules of living together in mutual respect."

Shortly afterwards, he elaborated on this position stating that: "We do not support either the worker against sound capitalism, or monopolies against the working class; rather we favour solutions equally beneficial to the workers and to commerce and industry, because our only interest is the welfare of the fatherland."

The key word in this Peronist vision is "social justice" for the workers; to be accomplished within the framework of a "benevolent," home-grown capitalist system. Peron himself, has always been, and remains to this day a dedicated anti-communist.

His economic policies simply reflected the aspirations of Argentina's burgeoning national bourgeoisie, who were anxious to use the powers of the state as a lever in their battle with the more powerful comprador bourgeoisie, for the economic control of the nation.

With the end of the Second World War these foreign interests, disturbed by the shifting balance in the middle class and the diminishing influence of their representatives, began to step up their attacks on Peron, describing him as an "instigator of class hatred."

On October 9, 1945, a group of officers led by the commander of the huge Campo de Mayo garrison on the outskirts of Buenos Aires, arrested Peron, who by this time was a Vice President in the GOU junta, and exiled him to the small island of Martin Garcia in the middle of the Rio de la Plata.

At first labour was caught off guard by the sudden action, but once the facts of the matter were clear it reacted with a vengeance.

On October 17, hundreds of thousands of angry workers, led by the indefatigable Eva Duarte, converged on the centre of Buenos Aires.

For hours they kept on coming, marching through the streets chanting "bring back Peron" and threatening to tear the city apart if their demands were not met.

In the face of such a massive display of solidarity, and with the threat of an all out Civil War hanging over the country, the military capitulated and brought Peron back in triumph the same day.

That night Peron addressed the faithful, more than a million strong, from a balcony on the government House overlooking the packed Plaza de Mayo.

"I have resigned from the army," he told

the cheering "descamisados", "in order to help revive the almost forgotten civilian tradition of Argentina, and join with the sweating, suffering mass of labourers who are building the greatness of this nation."

October 17 remains to this day, the most sacred date in the Peronist calendar. Every year since that momentous occasion, Peron's faithful legions have commemorated the event with massive demonstrations.

Through the long years of their leader's enforced exile, and in open defiance of the various military governments of the day, the "descamisados" have never failed to appear; battling their way through the cordons of troops and riot police, and the clouds of tear gas, keeping the memory of their leader alive, and honouring the day in which they themselves, came of age.

On February 24, 1946, after a short and bitter campaign, Peron was elected President of Argentina, with 56 per cent of the votes cast, and winning two thirds of the seats in the Chamber of Deputies, and an even larger proportion of the Senate.

The two masters of Argentina stood side by side in the reviewing stand, high above the festive scene. Juan Peron, his big frame clothed in a starched military uniform, his arms raised stiffly in a victory salute.

In his shadow stood a tearful Eva Peron, a massive white fur coat draped loosely about her frail body, waving happily at her friends and supporters in the crowd.

Below them long columns of soldiers and workers marched endlessly by. The crash of the jackboots and the clanking of the tank-treads mingling with the songs and slogans of the contingents of proud workers in their Sunday best.

The sights and sounds of an unusual coalition — one that had propelled this amazing couple to the heights of power with dizzying rapidity — a shaky coalition, that was destined to be shortlived.

Next Week

The sunshine years; the decline and fall of Peron; a haunted house; the resurrection of a legend; "Ni Yanquis ni Marxistas, una Patria Peronista."



Peron and his second wife Isabel return to Argentina.

Open letter to McGill students from the McGill Day Care Co-operative

Day care is still an issue

During undergraduate registration this year many students noticed, set up near the exit from the gym, the day care table. On this table were placed three leaflets, apparently for the purpose of informing the students of the issue. One of these was printed by the McGill Day Care Co-op and merely provides an account of the origin and process of the check-off system which was to have been used. The other two were printed by the Students' Society Executive Messrs. Mark Bernier, Paul Drager and Earle Taylor and, considering the information contained in them, serve little apparent purpose other than to obscure the day care issue.

To one, an article reprinted from the McGill News, response has already been made. To the other, expressing Messrs. Bernier, Drager and Taylor's views, we, the parents of the MDCC, herein propose to respond. We do not feel that the executives' opinions bear any relevance to the issue, but feel that such response might clarify it as it now stands, for the other students here at McGill.

The first point taken by Drager, Bernier, and Taylor is the existence of another day care facility on campus. Within a few days of last year's occupation of the Leacock Lounge by the Alliance for Child Care came the somewhat precipitous opening of MCFC, then some time in the preparatory stage, and even an expansion of its services to include a limited number of children under two. To state, however, that MCFC's facility is available to every staff and student on campus is pure fiction, since lengthy waiting lists exist for each age group of child.

Further, we do not feel that the problem of limited facilities is one that could readily be resolved by MCFC. Another of the results of the occupation was the service of an injunction, prohibiting not just the MDCC and ACC but anyone from bringing their children onto any property of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning (McGill) for the purpose of child care. The only persons specifically exempted from this injunction, now in the process of being made permanent are those persons having private offices, where their own children can be brought. Aside from demonstrating the administration's real attitude toward the day care problems of the students, this clause clearly indicates that it would not be in the best interest of MCFC to work for anything more than a token solution to the great day care problem at McGill, since the injunction could at any time be applied to them.

We, the parents of the MDCC, feel that MCFC's existence is certainly beneficial to those wishing to use its service and able to do so, but we are decidedly opposed to having our cooperative energies exploited by a group which has, in the past, demonstrated its willingness to be used as the administration's token response to day care, while ignoring the real need.

The broader issues of day care

The second point raised by Messrs. Drager, Bernier and Taylor, is that several parents, originally involved with our group, have since left, since our objectives now include many political ones.

Under the stress of the occupation of a few of MDCC parents did leave—one even had a nervous breakdown. Most of the original parents stayed with the co-op however, despite the difficulties of making it on their own. No parent has dropped out of the MDCC. As for our political objectives, let us briefly outline them here.

One would be hard pressed to find anyone involved with the establishment of non-profit day care services who would not agree that it is a political issue.

Several of the MDCC parents have committed themselves to joining in the struggle for adequate day care at the provincial level. We also believe that current attitudes towards day care are reflective of certain other attitudes, particularly those which discriminate against women and single parent and low income families. We intend to hold

discussion groups about these and other issues related to family life and to look for alternatives to these attitudes, that could be implemented in the day care centre itself. Above all, however, we are committed to the ideal of parent controlled day care, where the parents actually using the centre will decide its direction. No person will be forced to involve him or herself in these aspects and personal political views will not be a criterion for acceptance into the co-op.

The third point raised by Drager et al is the alleged unconstitutionality of the resolution. When Mr. Drager voiced these doubts, the MDCC suggested that he follow the resolution but withhold any funds until a judicial committee was appointed to hear the case. Mr. Drager refused. Mr. Drager worries about the open meeting system. We would like to point out that, despite several attempts, only two resolutions have been passed by open meetings in the past four years. It is our understanding that the resolution passed last March was passed in accordance with the constitution which governs the offices of Messrs. Bernier, Taylor and Drager; and that it is their lack of concern with these ordinances which is, if anything unconstitutional.

How Council spends money

If the allocation of the \$15,000 mentioned by Mr. Drager et al means cutbacks in other activities' budgets, we would like to know how Messrs. Drager, Bernier and Taylor rationalize 1) the granting of honorariums 2) the unauthorized

use of S.S. funds to print their own political opinions and 3) the allocation of the \$52,000 informally mentioned as the amount needed by what can only facetiously be referred to as "the executive's corporation" between now and January 1st for a pub in the Union? Last year's Council budget was almost \$300,000. In the past two years Council's budget has shown a surplus.

Finally, Messrs. Bernier, Taylor and Drager express the opinion that the MDCC has not yet shown enough organizational responsibility to merit the receipt of such a large sum of money.

On several occasions during the summer representatives of the MDCC expressed our willingness to join with Mr. Drager to carry out the resolution, respecting his doubts. Our budget was made available to finance director, Don Schreiber, at his convenience. On each occasion, Mr. Drager refused to look at our organization and now claims that he cannot see it.

As for "organizational responsibility", examine briefly the way in which the Students' Society executive has handled this matter. Instead of following the terms of the resolution unanimously carried by the open meeting and later endorsed by Council, Messrs. Bernier, Drager and Taylor arbitrarily set up their own system, geared to minimize student awareness of the issue, and even failed to maintain this system consistently throughout late and postgraduate registration, despite their expressed intention of so doing.

During registration the return-

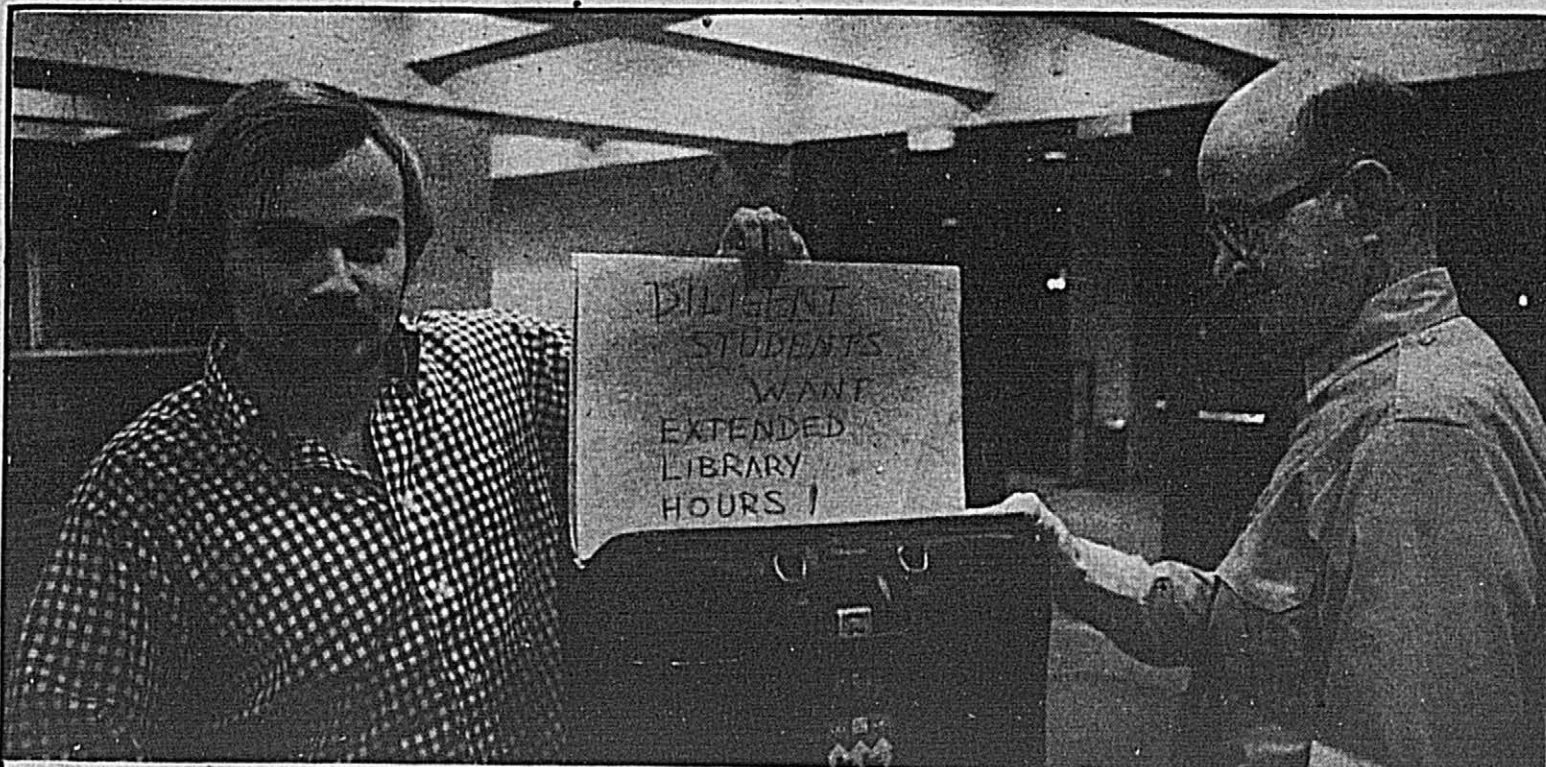
ing officer hired by the executive did not place the box in Students' Society offices at night, since he had experienced some difficulty in getting it out in time for registration each morning.

While the executive vacillated between conceding and not conceding the issue, the MDCC sent representatives to each day of registration except the first, when Mr. Drager would not authorize our entry into the gym. We had printed a sufficient number of unbiased leaflets to ensure distribution to every student waiting in registration lines. We have gone to the personal expense, both of funds and energy, to incorporate ourselves, to find a suitable locale, to set up parents committees to handle finances, the hiring of staff according to agreed on criteria, and to arrange for permit applications etc.

The day care issue is presently under the consideration of the judicial committee. We fear that it is not so much a question of justice as whether justice comes second to the personal preferences of persons invested with power, like Mr. Drager.

Most students come to McGill in the hope that they will receive an education that will serve them in their lives. We came for the same thing, many of us lured by the news that McGill had day care. Our needs are pressing, and, despite Mr. Drager's apparent expectation, are not likely to dissolve.

We urge a quick and equitable decision from the judicial committee so that we can continue with our work.



A student expresses displeasure over the McGill libraries' closing hours. The libraries' administration recently decided to maintain 11:00 p.m. as their closing hour.

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Also "La Vie Devee" (1972;
Dansereau), French with English
sub-titles at 9:30 p.m. Both shows
in L132.

CUSO:

Information meeting at 12 noon in
Redpath Museum.

Christian Science Organization:

All are welcome to join us at our
testimony-discussion meeting at
5:30 p.m. in Union B26. This
week's subject: mental chemical-
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Women's Intramural Soccer:

5:00—Frat vs Nursing I

5:30—Nursing II vs McConnell and
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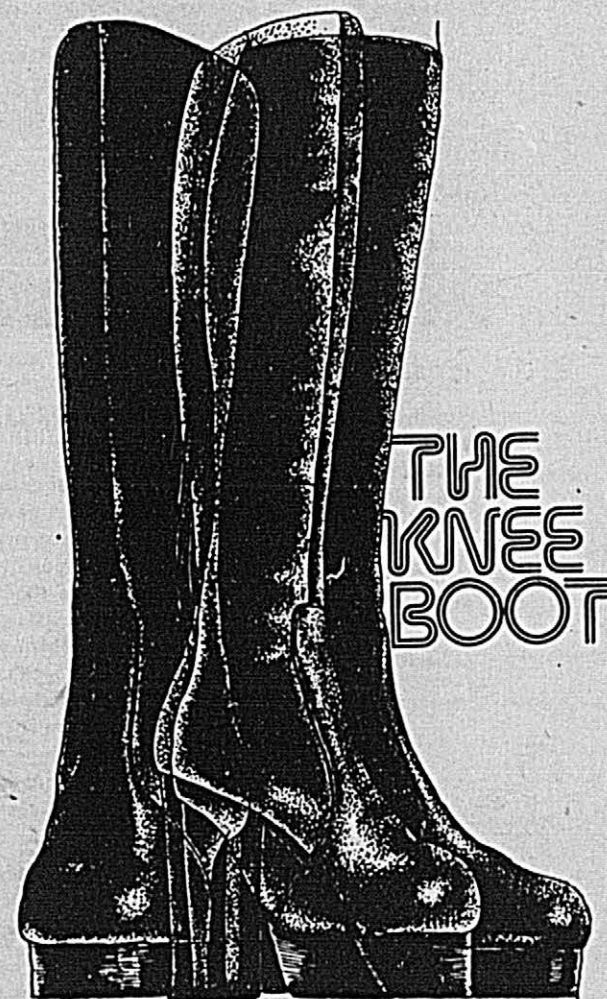
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